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| AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER | | | | | Attorney Docket No: TSM03-0340 | | |
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| Application Se 10/700 | | Filing Date: November 12, 2003 | | Examiner: Douglas W. Owens | | Group Art Unit: 2811 | |
| Invention: Integration Film Scheme for Copper / Low-k Interconnect | | | | | | | |
| TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below. | | | | | | | |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 59 | MINUS | 29 | 30 | \$50 | \$ 1500.00 | |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 10 | MINUS | 4 | 6 | \$200 | \$ 1200.00 | |
| Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of 12/15/2005 to and through, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of: one month (\$110)three months (\$920) | | | | | | | |
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks, which are submitted as a full and complete response to the Examiner's Office Action dated December 15, 2005.

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